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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:
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Before the Examiner:
Mary Da Zhi Wang Cheung

Serial No.: 09/731,628

Group Art Unit: 3621

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Intellectual Property Law
IBM Corporation

Title: USE OF PERSONA OBJECT IN
ELECTRONIC TRANSACTIONS

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REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

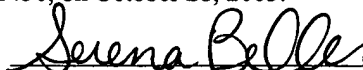
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action having a mailing date of July 29, 2003 (Paper No. 6), having a three-month shortened statutory period for response set to expire on October 29, 2003, please reconsider the rejections of the claims in view of the following remarks:

CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.8

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